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INCUMBENTS SWEEP ALL OFFICES



DANGER — Broken fence between sump and South High School lurks as potent danger to youngsters who might drown in drainage basins. School district has now posted guard at fence during daylight hours to prevent tragedies such as those that happened elsewhere. — Press Photos

Warning to Parents

Although skies have cleared after nearly 50 days of on- and off-rain storms, now is the time that danger of children drowning in deep sumps reaches its peak.

The City Council has ordered that fencing on all drainage ponds be checked carefully to prevent children from crawling underneath them.

At South High School, the potential danger spot is a broken fence between the school ground and a sump.

School officials announced they have placed a guard at the danger area during daylight hours to keep children out, and have also notified parents of all students, advising them of the hazard.

Although sumps are far from being an ideal drainage solution, indications are they will remain with us for some time to come.

In the meantime, it will be the responsibility of the parents to warn their children not to play in sump areas, and make sure they know where their youngsters are at all times.

Three children were drowned in the Southwest area during the past week. We don't want a tragedy to happen here.

Auto Catches Fire After Collision

Two men were injured when their cars collided at Sepulveda and Madison st., Saturday night, causing one vehicle to catch fire and burn up.

Frederick Albert Strange III, 23, of 3607 W. 225th st., was taken to Long Beach Osteopathic Hospital with second degree burns on his face, police said.

Wray Shimfessel, 35, of 2329 W. 235th st., driver of the other car was taken to Harbor General Hospital, but released shortly afterward.

MAKES CHUTE JUMP

Army Pfc. Blane F. Rutherford, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merril B. Rutherford, 21101 E. Sharon st., Torrance, recently made a tactical training parachute jump in Germany with the 11th Airborne Division's 503d Infantry.

Adverse Weather Delays Air Day

Torrance's "Airport Day" scheduled for May 3, has been postponed until a later date, yet to be determined, sponsoring Chamber Officials said today.

Chairman J. D. Thomas said the unprecedented heavy rains have not only made conditions unfavorable for the celebration, but that the steady deluge has hampered progress on airport construction and clean-up.

Thomas, plant superintendent of Douglas Aircraft's Torrance Plant, said a new date will be set at a meeting of committee chairmen to be held Tuesday, at 3:30 p.m. in the Chamber Office.

SOLDIER OF MONTH

Pfc. Robert E. Dover, whose wife, Violet, lives at 20637 So. Vermont, Torrance, recently was named Soldier of the Month for the 11th Infantry in Hawaii.



ALBERT ISEN



WILLYS BLOUNT



GEORGE BRADFORD

Isen Wins Mayor Race

Albert Isen became Torrance's first directly-elected mayor as result of a solid victory in Tuesday's election when he piled up a 1700 vote lead over Councilman Nickolas O. Draie.

Incumbent Councilman Willys Blount was swept back for a third term while George Bradford, an engineer, and J. A. Beasley, businessman, were elected to two new, created Council seats.

City Clerk A. H. Bartlett won a 10th consecutive term, while City Treasurer Harriett Leech was swept back into office.

With the exception of Bradford and Beasley, the new councilmen, the same city officials will remain.

Election Results

Mayor	
Isen	7973
Craft	296
Draie	6272
Ryan	671

City Council	
Blount	6939
Abrams	1693
Beasley	4415
Bradford	5010
Figueredo	3102
Fleetwood	1901
Hancock	3214
Hinz	1204
Hogue	2626
Mazia	1119
Peterson	3082
Reeves	1836
Thompson	2315
Vico	3513
Wilson	980

City Clerk	
Bartlett	8963
Miller	2384
Tillim	3013

City Treasurer	
Leech	10,877
Hunter	3477

Bond Issue	
Yes	6852
No	7862

Bond Issue Fails In Wide Trouncing

For the second time, Torrance voters rejected a proposed \$3,000,000 bond issue for park and recreation development in Tuesday's election. The measure to purchase sites for new parks and to develop existing ones, was trounced distantly when it received only 6852 "yes" votes, compared with 7862 "no" votes.

A two-thirds majority is required to pass a bond issue.

When the measure came up for the first time last October, it failed to receive a two-thirds approval by only 145 votes.

Some city officials privately conceded that the bond issue should not have been submitted in the municipal election, but should have been held off until later this year when improved economic conditions would have bolstered chances of the measure.

Mrs. Eva Bisou, chairman of the committee which pushed for the bond issue, said she did not know if and when the proposition would be submitted again.

Pasadena School Chief to Get ECC Top Post

Dr. Stuart Marsee, 40, was named president of El Camino College yesterday to succeed Forrest G. Murdock, who retires June 30.

Dr. Marsee, presently assistant superintendent of the Pasadena City School District, was chosen from more than 30 candidates for the post which Murdock has held since the college's founding 11 years ago.

The new president is a native of Oregon, and received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Oregon and his doctorate in education from S.C.

He will become associate president of the college on July 1, and will be boosted to president on August 1.

Shift of Tax Load Urged

School districts must find some other source of revenue to ease the burden on property owners.

That was the statement today of Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of the Torrance Unified School District.

Faced with a possible tax rate increase, the educator said that school districts should have "jumped" on additional revenue sources as did cities with gas, line and sale taxes.

Dr. Hull said that if the Legislature approves a tax on cigars and liquor, school districts should add a share of the revenue to ease the burden on property owners.

"I used to have some scruples about it, but not anymore," Dr. Hull said in referring to the cigar and liquor tax.

He said that he is recommending a "wait and see" attitude on raises for teachers and classified employes.

"Some of the superintendents have expressed a 'hold the line' fever, but when you see city and county employes and unions go for more money, it doesn't seem fair," he said.

He predicted that the Board will make a decision on raises as late as possible to see what happens in other districts.



J. A. BEASLEY



A. H. BARTLETT



HARRIETT V. LEECH

Pair Face Attack Hearing

Two youths face preliminary hearing tomorrow on rape charges.

Torrance police said the suspects, Samuel George Gibson, 22, of 427 E. 131st st., a construction worker, and Maurice David Robinson, 21, of 1701 N. Grandee st., Compton, a foundry worker, forced four juvenile girls to submit to them at knife point.

Lt. D. C. Cook of the juvenile bureau, said the two men picked up the girls, aged from 12 to 14, in Compton, and drove them to Torrance last Saturday.

The suspects were arrested on Maple ave. on a lonely spot north of the civic center.

Bail was set at \$1500 each at the arraignment before Municipal Judge John A. Shidler Monday.

WORKS FOR CANDIDATE

Mrs. Gladys Urban of Torrance, is a member of the Citizens Committee for Leonard Di Miceli, candidate for Congressman in the 17th District.

Baseball 'Czar' Sought to Police Applications for Playing Fields

Creation of a baseball "czar" to police use of available playing facilities, was requested of the Park and Recreation Commission last night.

Harry B. Van Bellehem, director of the Recreation Department, urged that a lay official be appointed to straighten out the problem of conflicting applications for baseball diamonds.

He urged that the baseball commissioner be responsible to a city Baseball Council.

Van Bellehem said that some Little League team managers are requesting individual diamonds at the same time league officials want to reserve them for all the league teams.

"It is impossible for this Department to police this type of situation. Also it is vital to the welfare of the boys and girls and adults not in Little League, that the Recreation Department reserve time for them to use our ballparks," Van Bellehem said.

He urged that the baseball commissioner, with the advice of the baseball council, could coordinate the activities of all baseball teams, whether in Little League or not.

Van Bellehem said that Redondo Beach already has such an arrangement and urged the Commission to request the City Council to create a similar system in Torrance.

Triangle Shopping Development Plans Announced

Development plans for more than half of the Airport Triangle Shopping Center were announced today by the S&T Investment Corporation, and Jefferson Inc.

S and T which holds a lease on 20 of the 36 acres at Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Blvd., has concluded an agreement for a Foods Co. supermarket to be constructed on the site.

The market will occupy 55,000 square feet. The Foods Co. is building a second store in this city to extend greater service to the southwest area.

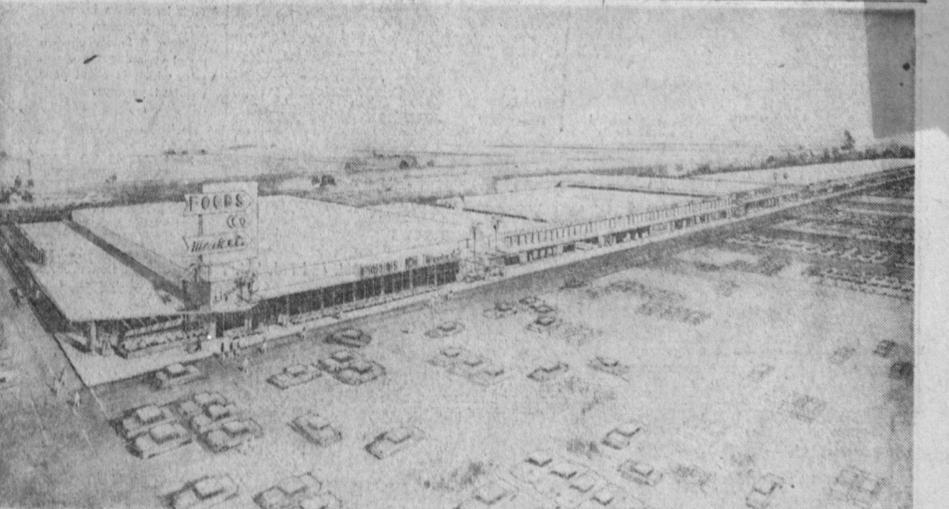
Construction of the market will begin August 1. S and T also announced it is negotiating leases with a department store to occupy 30,000 square feet, a drugstore and variety store to occupy 15,000 square feet of floor space each.

When completed, the 20-acre site will contain 210,000 sq. ft. of building space and parking for 2000 cars. The developers said they will make announcements of other tenants as leases are signed.

S and T Investment holds a sub-leased acre parcel from Jefferson Inc., 417 Via Corta, Pafos Verdes, which holds the master lease on the 36 acres and intends to develop the balance.

All store buildings will incorporate the most modern features. Lease negotiations are being handled by Henry Baron of the Herman Fink leasing agency, 315 W. 5th st., Los Angeles, MI. 0286.

Lindsey and Lindsey are architects for the shopping center.



NEW SHOPPING CENTER—This is an architect's drawing of a portion of the new Triangle Shopping Center at Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Blvd., to be developed by the S and T Investment Corporation and Jefferson, Inc. Stores will include a Foods Co. supermarket, a department store, a variety store and drug store on 20 of the 36 acres. Parking will be provided for 2000 cars.